

SCOTT WOULD IMPROVE RIVERS

Takes Lead in Advocating Betterment of Waterways.

POINTS TO HOLLAND AS A GOOD EXAMPLE

Would Favor Bond Issue for Lake-to-Gulf Waterway—An Interesting Interview With the Senator, Who Has Given the Question of Waterway Improvements a Close Study.

A special from Washington gives the following interview with Senator Scott on the subject of river improvement:

Among the men of the senate of the United States who have made waterway improvements a close study, Senator Nathan Bay Scott, of West Virginia, easily takes first rank. As a result of several trips to the older countries, he has been a keen observer of the way in which not only Europe, but the countries in the far east use their waterways, for purposes of freight transportation, but for passenger transportation as well.

"Holland, to my mind presents the best example of waterway development of any country I know in Europe," said Senator Scott. "Lying as it does and facing the sea, its canals are not only a subject of wonderment to the visitor, but a source of endless profit to its people. Small as Holland is, smaller than many of our own states, the waterway problem seems to have been solved in Holland much more effectively and much more advantageously than in countries vaster in extent and with more natural rivers to aid in the solution of the transportation problem.

Relieve Railroad Congestion.

"From whatever point of view one sees the great natural water highways of the United States there comes the sense of unaccomplished things in relation to our own rivers and canals. Nature has been most prodigal in not only giving us a magnificent coast line but she has placed within our dominion rivers that are not rivaled anywhere on earth, and it behooves us to make them our servants to carry our products to the sea, thereby relieving railway freight congestion and lightening cost of transportation. The railroad has no more reason to fear or to oppose the steamboat than the trolley car. Both have their uses and both their limitations. Both are necessary to serve the people who live along the river or along the line of track for the business done by river or by trolley will never be sufficient in volume to interfere with the railroads, no matter how much the rivers may be improved or how cheaply they carry freight.

Good Roads and Waterways.

"In this connection let me say that good public roads and inland waterways will solve the problem of cheap freight rates and they go hand in hand together. I am firmly convinced that our waterway improvement ought to be carried on in a comprehensive and systematic manner as urged by the national rivers and harbors congress. Piecemeal appropriations for streams that will never, in the very nature of things, contribute to the upbuilding of communities should be abandoned.

"What we need most is wisdom behind our legislation for waterways and by that I mean that the future should bear in proportion in the development of our water courses as the present. If current revenues are not sufficient to provide for yearly expenditures of money to develop our great natural highway, then I, for one, will vote for a bond issue of sufficient amount to make possible the harnessing of the Ohio, the control of the Mississippi and the opening up of a water route from Lake Erie to the Gulf. The Ohio river is being improved too slowly and is discouraging to the business man who figures upon the earning power of every penny to see his receipts dwindle because of the lack of water transportation for bulkier freight. What I would like to see is inland navigation from the lakes to the peninsula, and when the steamboats come back again upon our rivers then the high tide of our prosperity will be reached.

TO CLOSE BIG DEAL.

West Virginians Will Lease Lines of Traction Company.

Charleston, W. Va., Aug. 23.—By September 1 it is expected that a deal will be closed whereby W. E. Chilton, former Governor W. A. MacCorkle, and their business associates will lease the plant and lines of the Kanawha Valley Traction Co. for a period of 99 years. At the present time Senator C. C. Sprout, of Chester, Pa., is the president of the company. The Charleston Interurban Co., which proposes to lease the traction line, was chartered by ex-Governor MacCorkle, J. D. Chilton, T. S. Clark, M. M. Staunton and W. E. Chilton.

STUDY COURSE OF THE SCHOOLS

As Decided Upon by the State Board of Regents Herewith Published.

The state board of education recently in session at Charleston, and which had under discussion a change in the course of study in the graded and high schools of the state, has completed its work, and State Superintendent of Schools Shawkey is now having the course made ready for the printer. The course of studies follows:

First year—Reading, language, history and literature, nature study, writing, drawing, objective number work the last half of the year.

Second year—Reading, language, history and literature, nature study, writing, drawing numbers.

Third year—Reading, language, history and literature, nature study, writing, drawing numbers.

Fourth year—Reading, language, geography, literature and history, arithmetic, nature study, writing, spelling.

Fifth year—Reading, language, geography, literature and history, arithmetic, nature study, writing, spelling.

Sixth year—Literature, history, language, arithmetic, nature study, geography, writing, spelling.

Seventh year—Literature, history, arithmetic, agriculture, language, spelling, writing.

Eighth year—Literature, history, arithmetic, language and grammar, civics, bookkeeping, physiology and hygiene, agriculture, writing.

The four year program follows:

First Year.

First semester—English 4; algebra 5; biology 5; (elementary botany and physiology); history 5; Latin, German or French 5; commercial arithmetic 4; typewriting 1; drawing 1; music 1.

Second semester—English 4; algebra 5; biology 5; (elementary botany, geology and physiology); history 5; Latin, German or French 5; commercial geography 4; typewriting 1; drawing 1; music 1.

Second Year.

First semester—English 4; geometry 5; botany 5; history 5; physiology 5; (physical geography and elementary geology); Latin, German or French 5; bookkeeping 4; industrial history 1; drawing 1; music 1.

Second semester—English 4; geometry 5; botany 5; history 5; physiology 5; (physical geography and elementary geology); Latin, German or French 5; bookkeeping 4; industrial history 1; drawing 1; music 1.

Third Year.

First semester—English 4; algebra 5; chemistry 5; history 5; Latin, German or French 5; designing 3; stenography 4; typewriting 1; drawing 1; music 1.

Second semester—English 4; geometry 5; chemistry 5; Latin, German or French 5; designing 3; stenography 4; typewriting 1; drawing 1; music 1.

Fourth Year.

First semester—English 4; physics 5; agriculture 5; American history and civics 5; American science and art 5; Latin, German or French 5; mechanical drawing 3; manual training 4; commercial law 4; zoology 4; drawing 1; music 1.

Second semester—English 4; physics 5; agriculture 5; American history and civics 5; domestic science and art 5; Latin, German or French 5; mechanical drawing 3; manual training 4; business correspondence and stenography 4; zoology 4; drawing 1; music 1.

Three year program.

First Year.

First semester—English 5; algebra 5; biology 5; history 5; Latin or German 5; commercial arithmetic 4; typewriting 1; drawing 1; music 1.

Second semester—English 5; algebra 5; biology 5; history 5; Latin or German 5; commercial geography 4; typewriting 1; drawing 1; music 1.

Second Year.

First semester—English 5; geometry 5; physiology 5; history 5; chemistry 5; Latin or German 5; industrial history 1; bookkeeping 4; drawing 1.

Second semester—English 5; geometry 5; physiology 5; history 5; chemistry 5; Latin or German 5; industrial history 1; bookkeeping 4; drawing 1; music 1.

Third Year.

First semester—English 5; algebra 5; physics 5; history 5; agriculture 5; domestic science and art 5; Latin or German 5; stenography 4; typewriting 1; drawing 1; music 1.

Second semester—English 5; algebra 5; physics 5; history 5; agriculture 5; domestic science and art 5; Latin or German 5; stenography 4; typewriting 1; drawing 1; music 1.

Two year program.

First semester—English 5; algebra 5; biology 5; history 5; Latin 5; commercial arithmetic 4; typewriting 1; drawing 1; music 1.

Second Year.

First semester—English 5; geometry 5; physiology 5; agriculture 5; history 5; Latin 5; bookkeeping 3; stenography 2; drawing 1; music 1.

STATE MAY GAIN A REPRESENTATIVE

West Virginia Expects Federal Census Next Year Will Show Big Increase in Population.

Prominent men of the state are of the opinion the census of 1910 will give West Virginia another representative in congress, increasing the total delegation in the lower house from five to six. This would necessitate the complete rearrangement of the political map of the state and jeopardize the fortunes of a number of men who seem by the present arrangement to have the promise of an indefinite tenure.

The readjustment of the congressional district and the admission of an additional division would be fraught with problems which would require much nice calculations to figure out to the satisfaction of the politicians.

The first consideration would be to determine on the course of procedure which would insure six republican representatives from West Virginia. Second to this would be that of pursuing a course which would leave unruined the feathers of the five representatives now in office, and build up the new district out of the counties so situated geographically as to leave Hubbard in the first district and leave him dominant in the counties reserved to the first, with a similar course of treatment for Sturgis, Woodyard, Gaines and Hughes.

Mr. Gaines would, of course, insist upon having the big majority of Fayette kept at his back, while Mr. Hughes would not cheerfully acquiesce in any arrangement which would rob him of McDowell's ever-ready largest of republican votes.

BOY DIES FROM THE BITE OF MAD DOG

Harry Montgomery, a Keedysville Lad Died in Great Agony in Baltimore Hospital.

Lying quietly as if in a doze on his little iron bed at the Mercy hospital, Baltimore, and frequently gripping the hand of his grief-stricken father, who sat at his side, 3-year-old Harry Montgomery, of Nunamaker's Mills, near Keedysville, Md., slowly died of hydrophobia, with the pasteur physicians unable to give any further aid to the little martyr, awaiting for the sad end. The boy died early yesterday morning.

Montgomery, who was the son of John Montgomery, one of the best-known citizens of Nunamaker's Mills, was bitten near his home on July 29 last by a stray Dalmatian coach dog. The boy was taken to the hospital in Baltimore on the very day the bite was inflicted, but the virus had already raced through the youngster's nervous system and the dread disease developed last Thursday, several days before the boy's treatment would have been completed.

The boy was at play near his home on the above date, when he was approached by the stray dog, which had been acting strangely, and which had bitten several other animals nearby during the day. The lad protected himself by throwing pieces of wood at the animal, while a neighbor fired two bullets in its body. The dog ran away for nearly a half-mile, but returned in a short time and attacked young Montgomery, inflicting a bite over an inch deep in his left cheek. The animal died a few minutes later.

PROPERTY ALL LEFT TO HIS WIFE

Will of Morgan Van Metre Recorded Today in Clerk Hobbs' Office—Dated Nov. 7, 1906.

The will of A. Morgan Van Metre, late of the Arden district, was admitted for record today in County Clerk Hobbs' office.

To his wife Sallie E. Van Metre he bequeaths all of his real estate consisting of a farm of 270 acres on the east side of the Opequon creek. But in case of her death before her husband the will provides that the farm shall go to his niece, Mabel Evelyn Hodges, wife of C. E. Hodges, and in the event of her death the property is to be divided among her children, share and share alike.

The will is dated November 7, 1906 and C. W. Link and X. Poole were the witnesses.

Improving Store.

Mr. F. S. Emmert has had a new floor laid in his dry goods store and the ceiling, walls and shelving freshly painted, adding greatly to the appearance of the room. The store will be further improved by a new open front, work on which was commenced this morning by Contractor W. H. Frankenberg.

OLD HOME WEEK IN OLD CARLISLE

Thousands of People Enjoy Exercises of Opening Days.

DR. J. A. HOFFHEINS, THIS CITY, DELIVERS ADDRESS

Special Services Held in the Churches on Sunday—Town Filled With Visitors and Former Residents—Event Promises to Be a Most Notable One in Carlisle's History.

Carlisle, Pa., Aug. 24.—Thousands of visitors came by train and every other way to Carlisle yesterday to participate in the first secular day's exercises of Old Home Week and the Cumberland Fire Company's centennial. There were thousands of the natives, ready to greet all coming, and, all in all, it was a notable send-off day, with ideal weather to round it out.

The Y. M. C. A. building, half a block from the main depot, was crowded all morning with home-comers, who registered by arrangement with the Old Home Week Committee. Identification buttons and programs were distributed to all visitors.

At the Hamilton Library building, on North Pitt street, the Cumberland County Historical Society, has a special exhibit of curios, heirlooms and relics, which from the time the doors were open began to attract a large crowd. It is expected that the unique exhibit which has great historical value, will be the feature of the Old Home Week, as a somewhat similar though not so complete exhibit was during Carlisle's Sesqui-Centennial in 1901. Captain William E. Miller, J. Irvin Mahon and Captain William Bricker were in charge of the society's exhibit.

Yesterday evening the home-comers meeting in the court house, which opened at 7:45 o'clock, was presided over by ex-Judge Edward W. Biddle, who felicitously greeted an enormous audience and introduced John W. Wetzel, a prominent local attorney, who delivered the formal address of welcome to the home-comers.

Dr. Hoffheins Spoke.

The Old Home Week celebration really commenced Sunday with appropriate services in the various Carlisle churches. One of the most notable of these services was held in the First Reformed church Sunday morning. A large congregation in which were many home-comers, listened to a fine address by Dr. J. A. Hoffheins, of Martinsburg, upon the theme "Old Things Become New." Dr. Hoffheins is the only living ex-pastor of this congregation having preached here from 1866 to 1868. Several former members of the choir sang in the morning including Mrs. P. S. Stuart, Miss Kate Sipe, Mrs. Harper and Samuel Myers. Mrs. Stuart, Mrs. Sipe and Dr. John Sipe sang a favorite old trio, "The Living Waters," with excellent effect. In the evening the pastor preached upon the theme, "Gratifying the Longing for Home."

PHYSICIANS REPORT THAT MANY ARE ILL

From Typhoid Fever and Diphtheria in Both the City and County—Cause of Typhoid Here Unknown.

From The World of Tuesday: Local physicians report a number of cases of typhoid fever and diphtheria in this city, and reports from several sections of the county state that there are many cases there also.

While the cases do not amount to an epidemic, the situation is giving the health authorities and the physicians no little concern. Thus far there have been no deaths from either of the diseases, but a number of persons are seriously ill.

Just what is causing the typhoid is a puzzle to the physicians. The drinking water is as pure as ever, and the spread of the disease can hardly be attributed to that. Some persons ascribe it to the great amount of decaying vegetable matter, due to the long drought and the vast quantity of vegetables now being brought to the city.

Owing to the fact that the schools will open in two weeks, the physicians are striving hard to check the progress of diphtheria, and if possible prevent an epidemic.

Model For Rumsey Monument.

The officers of the Rumsey association, which is laboring to secure funds to erect a monument to Rumsey, claimed to be the first inventor of the steamboat, along the Potomac river, at Shepherdstown, have prepared a model of the proposed monument which has been placed on exhibition in that place.

DAVID M. BURRIS DIES SUDDENLY

Well-Known B & O. Freight Engineer Expired Monday of Heart Failure Aged 44 Years.

From The World of Tuesday.

Mr. David M. Burris, a well-known B. & O. freight engineer, died Monday afternoon at 2:15 o'clock at his home on East Liberty street of heart failure following an attack of acute indigestion. He was 47 years old. On his way home from Cherry Run after quitting work Sunday afternoon he was taken very ill near intersection and it was with difficulty that he was able to get home. Later heart trouble developed which was the immediate cause of his death.

Surviving are his wife and seven children: Mrs. Mary Crowl, of Brunswick; J. Harry, William F., Raymond, Irene, Mabel and Geo. Edward at home; also one brother and three sisters: J. Henry Burris, Brunswick; Mrs. Katie Mellett and Mrs. George Miller this city, and Mrs. George Burkhardt, Waynesboro, Pa.

Mr. Burris was the son of the late Simon Burris and was born near Shipensburg, Pa., but came to Martinsburg with his parents when he was a little boy and since resided here. For some years past he ran a helping engine between this city and Cherry Run and was a popular and efficient railroader. His sudden and unexpected death came as a great shock to his family and many friends. He was a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.

The funeral was held this afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home, conducted by Rev. W. E. Gruver, pastor of the United Brethren church, interment in Green Hill cemetery.

AN EXTRA SESSION IS NOT PROBABLE

No Necessity For Meeting of the West Virginia Legislature, Says the Governor.

Charleston, W. Va., Aug. 24.—With the return of Governor Glasscock from his trip to the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition the talk of an extra session of the legislature the coming winter has again quieted down. During the governor's absence the newspapers of the state found the necessity for a session, and almost had one called, but with the executive back in his office, little more is heard along the extra session line.

That there is need of an extra session is the expression made by the governor to some friends. The republican party platform pledges, a primary election law and a local option law were not carried out last winter on account of the stand the senate took on the bills presented. During his campaign, and since his election Governor Glasscock has stood for carrying out these pledges. But there is no reason to believe the senate would change their action of last winter, and the executive would not risk calling a session for those pledges alone.

But technically, the state laws are being daily violated and will be, until the legislature meets again. The state penitentiary, for the past several years, has been self-sustaining or, better, has paid into the treasury of the state from \$20,000 to \$40,000 annually, after paying its own expenses. The recent legislature enacted a law that all receipts of all state institutions must be paid into the treasury of the state. It enacted further that the receipts of the penitentiary, in excess of \$50,000 a year, shall be paid into the state road fund.

But the same legislature failed to make any appropriation for the penitentiary, as had been done under the old custom of having the institution maintain itself. The management of the big institution, with its population of about 1,200, had passed under the management of the new state board of control, and, notwithstanding the new law, a part of the receipts of the institution go to maintain it. This is technically illegal, and also reduces the amount intended to go into the road fund. And on this one point, more than anything else, hinges the question of an extra session. If the public is satisfied with the present arrangement and no emergency arises, the governor does not feel that he should put the state to the expense of an extra session.

Shepherdstown Landmark Burns.

The Virginia house, occupied by Mr. Charles W. Crowl and family, was burned by fire of unknown origin Saturday morning. The flames were discovered by Mr. Crowl about midnight, and the family escaped while the building burned fiercely over their heads. The property was a large three-story frame structure and was a landmark. It was used as a boarding house for students of Shepherd college in the winter and was generally occupied by summer visitors.

MOSES THATCHER IS DEAD IN UTAH

Powerful and Wealthy Mormon Apostle Was First Cousin of Mr. Kitchen and Mrs. Grantham, of County.

A special dispatch from Salt Lake City, Utah, states that Moses Thatcher, who has been prominent in business and political life in Utah for the past half-century, died at his home in Logan, near Salt Lake City, Monday, aged about 75 years.

Mr. Thatcher was formerly an apostle of the Mormon church, and wielded a powerful influence in the hierarchy of the Latter Day Saints. He resigned his position as an apostle in 1898 in order to become a candidate for the United States senate, but was defeated for that position by Senator Joseph L. Rawlins. Being one of the most powerful and noted Mormons in Utah, he amassed a fortune estimated at \$1,000,000.

Mr. Thatcher visited Martinsburg and Berkeley county several times during the past 20 years, and was well known to a number of the older residents. He was a first cousin of Mr. Gilbert Kitchen, of Virginia avenue, and Mrs. Melvina Grantham, of Shanghai. He emigrated to Utah at an early age, and left the orthodox church to become a Mormon. Several years ago he went to Mexico to found a colony of Mormons, and was later a conspicuous witness in the trial of Senator Reed Smoot before the senate, when efforts were made to oust Senator Smoot from his seat.

Mr. Thatcher was born in Berkeley county, near Shanghai, but removed with his parents to Illinois when about three years old. A remarkable incident in connection with his career as a Mormon is the fact that he never had but one wife.

BANNER PRESENTED.

Ryneal Boys Happy Over President's Handsome Gift.

From The World of Tuesday: At a special meeting of Ryneal Co. No. 1 last night the handsome silk banner recently presented to the fire ladders by Mr. George Ryneal, jr., president of the company, was formally received. In the absence of Mr. Ryneal the banner was presented by Treasurer James W. Barrick in a few appropriate remarks. Capt. B. L. Williams received it on behalf of the company. A rising vote of thanks was then extended to the kind donor.

The boys will carry the banner in the big parade in Carlisle on Thursday.

NATURAL GAS FOR BALTIMORE CITY

Is Said Standard Oil Company Will Supply Illuminant to That City and Washington.

The Wall Street Journal in its issue of yesterday morning published the following dispatch bearing a Chicago line:

"The Standard Oil Company has bought 27,750 shares of the outstanding stock of the United States Natural Gas Company at the rate of \$75 per share, and guarantees the interest on \$2,298,500 outstanding 6 per cent bonds. The United States Natural Gas Company controls the natural gas output of Chicago. The Standard will build 300 miles of pipe line to Washington and Baltimore. It is stated that the Standard Oil Company is contemplating going into the heating and power business on a large scale, and the Baltimore and Ohio venture is only the beginning. The plan will be extended to other cities, and the Standard hopes ultimately to control the heating and power business in many of the large cities."

A newspaper representative called at the Standard Oil offices, at 26 Broadway, New York, and in response to questions was told that the Standard Oil Company was not interested further in the supply of gas, heat and power in Baltimore than had been indicated in its letter addressed to Mr. Hoffman of the gas committee of the Baltimore council, which expressly stated the fact that the Standard Oil Company would not serve natural gas to Baltimore unless through the medium of the Consolidated Gas Company. It was further stated that the Standard had not made the purchase of United States Natural Gas stock as published, but that the sale was understood to have been made to a Pittsburgh firm—Treat & Crawford.

Automobile Parties.

Messrs. H. A. Hammann, E. C. Shepherd, George Shaffer and M. L. Dorn autoed to Dam No. 4 Sunday and viewed the big power plant there. Mr. Claude Stewart and family, Mr. M. G. Tabler and family and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Davidson went to Green-castle and back yesterday in two automobiles.

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